Opportunities to ask for Prayer.

- After the morning service on Sundays (except all-age services) members
 of our trained prayer ministry team are available to pray with and for you.
- Put a note in the prayer box at the back of church. This can be anonymous. It will be passed to the prayer team.
- By emailing <u>prayer@st-marks.net</u> or contacting us via the website at https://www.st-marks.net/contact. Your message will be passed on to the team, can give as much or as little information about the situation as you wish. Requests made in this way will not be anonymous as a name and email address are visible to us.

If you would like to be part of the prayer team please contact the office.

Donating items to St Mark's. We are happy to accept items for Food Bank https://shorturl.at/DxxPx and the Cyrenians supported Accommodation Service https://coventrycyrenians.co.uk/ (Men's toiletries). These can now be left in the red boxes under the seat near the south door.

We appreciate that people like things to be re-used eg toys, books etc but Please do not leave items without speaking to Amanda, Ros or Tim.

Small Groups at St Mark's. You can find out a bit about each group on the notice board at the back of church (opposite the kitchen door). Speak to Amanda di Giovanni for more information or email office@st-marks.net

Getting involved at St Mark's. If you would like to find out more about being part of our Welcome or Coffee Teams, leading intercessions, reading in church, joining the music groups, helping with children's or youth work, Chaplaincy Team at Leamington College, cleaning the church... Please contact the office and we will put you in touch with the relevant person.

Inclusive Church. St Mark's is part of this network of churches, groups and individuals uniting together around a shared vision. www.inclusive-church.org

Sight Loss Friendly Church. If you, or someone you know, are fected by sight loss please let the office know how we can help.





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Belonging... Believing... Becoming... A community of believers, sharing God's love with the world

Order of Service:

Song, Blessing

Welcome, Song, Children

Leave, Confession, Songs,

Reading, Sermon, Prayers,

Sunday 18th May 10.00am Morning Worship

The Lord's Prayer: Forgiveness

Matthew 18:21-35

Leader: Amanda di Giovanni Preacher: Helen Toner

After the service, please join us for refreshments at the back of church

www.youtube.com/StMarksChurchLSpa

6.30pm Evening Worship in the Lounge

The Lord's Prayer: Deliver us

Matthew 4:1-11

Leader: Amanda di Giovanni Refreshments served from 6pm

Wednesday 21st May

9.15-10.45am Toddlers in the Hall 7.00-8.30pm Youth Group in the Upper Room

Thursday 22nd May

No Toddlers. It will resume in September if there is sufficient interest 9.00-10.20am Church open for private prayer & café 10.30am Morning Worship

Livestreaming Notice: Our 10am service on Sunday mornings is livestreamed on our YouTube channel www.youtube.com/c/StMarksChurchLSpa/videos

If you have items to be included in the weekly notice sheet please email office@st-marks.net by 10am Wednesday. Keep in touch via www.st-marks.net or St Mark's Facebook Page. Contact the office to receive this notice sheet by email (or to stop receiving it). Our privacy policy can be found on the website.

Events and activities coming up

A message from lan and Sue: "Thank you for coming to the service when we took our marriage vows, and also for the lovely messages and cards. It was an amazing day and great to feel so loved and supported by our Church family."



Due to low numbers, our Thursday morning Toddler group will temporarily close. If there is enough interest, we hope to resume in September. If you would like to visit the church café on Thursday mornings between 9:00 and 10:20, there will be toys set out for the children. Contact Ros at <u>ros@st-marks.net</u> for more information.

APCM: Many thanks to all who came and to all who helped with and joined us for lunch afterwards. Full list of PCC members: Marie Calvert - Reader representative; David Calvert - Deanery Synod; Amanda di Giovanni- Deanery Synod; Marcella King - Deanery Synod; Matty McArthur - Deanery Synod; Karen Archer, Joanna Bond , Alex di Giovanni, Pam Griffin-Booth, Andrew Lee, Rob Lockyer, Andrew Mayfield, Sheila Robinson, Chris Ryde, Anna Stacey, Alastair Watt. Not PCC members but normally in attendance: Sue Holden - Secretary to the PCC; David Robinson - Treasurer.

Many thanks to Marcella and Charlie for all their commitment and service as church wardens in the past few years. They have now stepped down from this role and we are working to cover duties whilst there is a space until new wardens are appointed. Please speak to Tim if you have questions or are interested in serving in this way.

Churches Together in Leamington (CTL) AGM on 5th June, 7.30pm at Christ Church, Priory Terrace, CV31 1BA.

Women's/inclusive meet up. After a great evening in March, we are arranging the next meal for Friday 6th June in the upper room from 7.30 pm. Food will be Mexican or Italian and the cost is £15 a head to cover nibbles and possibly pudding as well! Please bring a bottle. The evening will include some fun activities, future event planning, choosing a name, and time to chat. Please do let us know if you would like to come via the office, if you have any questions, or if the cost is an issue for you. Many thanks Sophie and Hannah.

Service of Welcome and Installation for the new Bishop of Coventry. 7th June, 2pm at Coventry Cathedral. All Welcome, (free) tickets Service of Welcome and Installation of Bishop Sophie Jelley Tickets, Sat 7 Jun 2025 at 14:00 | Eventbrite

Welcome Brunch 8th June. After the morning service, anyone new or newish is invited to join us.

Sky Dive Fundraiser - Saturday 21st June. Erin Henshaw and Olivia Thomas are taking part in a Tandem Sky Dive Fundraiser to raise money for CPAS Venture Holidays. The girls need to raise a minimum of £400 each and plan to hold a **cake sale after church on Sunday 18th May**. If you wish to donate (as much or as little) to encourage them as they do this crazy thing please go to https://www.justgiving.com/page/fiona-henshaw-2?utm medium=FA&utm source=CL Thanks Erin and Olivia.

For your prayers...

- Several members of the church are having treatment for cancer, pray for this to be effective and for patience, energy, general good health and limited side effects.
- The bereaved, again several people have lost loved ones recently.
- Dan & Philippa Munday as they return to the UK

<u>Days off</u> Tim does not usually work Tuesdays. Ros does not work Saturdays. Amanda works Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Karen works Tuesday and Thursday.

Contact information

Tim <u>vicar@st-marks.net</u> phone 01926 421004 and follow the instructions. **Office** The office is usually open Monday-Friday 9-1. Staff meeting 11.30-12.30 Monday. Email office@st-marks.net or phone as above.

Please avoid office related questions on Sundays.

Ros <u>ros@st-marks.net</u> or phone as above.

Churchwardens <u>wardens@st-marks.net</u>

Safeguarding Officer Sue Turner safeguarding@st-marks.net

Children & young people's groups.

Sundays (except all age services and school summer holidays)
Climbers (Reception to Year 3). Explorers (Year 4-6). These meet together on the 1st Sunday of the month.

Pathfinders (Yr 7 and up)

Parents and carers are welcome to take children under 4 into the Committee Room at the front left of church, where there are toys and a screen to watch the service.

Wednesdays (term time). 'Uno' Youth group (Yr 7 and up)

Giving financially to St Marks. We are very grateful to all those who support St Mark's financially (as well as through prayer and giving time in so many areas).

Gift Aid is a vital source of income, and if you give through the Parish Giving Scheme rather than directly to St Mark's then they do the work of claiming this money back. We would like to encourage all those who give regularly and pay tax to switch to the Parish Giving Scheme and for those who are new to St Mark's to prayerfully consider supporting us financially. More information about the scheme can be found here https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/home/ or this link takes you directly to our giving page https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/new-milverton-st-mark-rugby-road-new-milverton-leamington-spa/
Thank you.

If you are writing or updating your will, please consider leaving us a legacy.